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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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TITLE: COATING BRUSH CLEANING  
AND STORING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD

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GROUP ART UNIT NO. 1744

AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Communication dated October 31, 2005, please amend the above-entitled application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Claims 1-15 are original claims and are resubmitted herein.

Please add the following new Claim 16.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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<b>CLAIMS AS FILED – PART I</b>							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))					\$ _____		\$ _____
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 =	*		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 =	*		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =
				TOTAL		OR	TOTAL
* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.							
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II</b>							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	16	Minus **	20	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	4	Minus ***	3	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	*	Minus **		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	*	Minus ***		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	*	Minus **		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	*	Minus ***		X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE

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